ABSTRACT

A speech system includes a Language Component Manager (LCM) [116] that functions as middleware between language and technology components [117] and a high-level application [115]. In aggregate, the LCM, the language and technology component, and the high-level application form a speech system. The components of the speech system may be distributed. All data and messages in the speech system pass through the LCM. A configuration file defines relationships, such as message and data paths, for the speech system.